

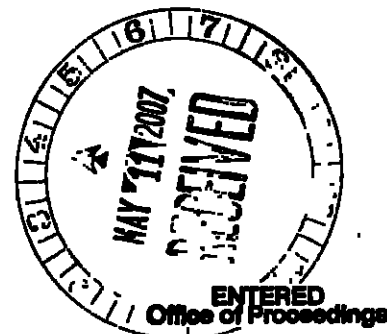


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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

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Part of
Public Record**LATE FILED REQUEST FOR FILING PROTESTS AND WRITTEN COMMENTS**

**RE: Docket No. AB-838, East St. Louis Junction Railroad
Company - Adverse Abandonment - In St. Clair County, IL**

**Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 199), Union Pacific Railroad
Company - Adverse Discontinuance - In St. Clair County,
IL**

Dear Mr. Williams:

By decisions served October 1, 2003, November 5, 2003, December 23, 2003, March 2, 2004, May 13, 2004, July 15, 2004, September 30, 2004, January 24, 2005, July 20, 2005 and April 6, 2006, the Board granted extensions of the due date for filing protests and written comments in the above proceedings to facilitate negotiations by UP, applicant Illinois Department of Transportation ("ILDOT") and other railroads involved in the Illinois Route 3 project. UP and the other railroads are collectively referred to herein as (the "Railroads").

Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") respectfully requests an additional extension (from February 1, 2007 to February 1, 2008) of the due date for filing protests and written comments in these proceedings. In support of this request, UP states that the above parties are continuing to engage in ongoing negotiations and that proposals are being reviewed, and that such negotiations have not been concluded to date. We are requesting a 365 day extension, because, given the multiple parties involved and ILDOT's review of the proposals, it may take that period of time for all responses to be analyzed and mediated, if necessary.

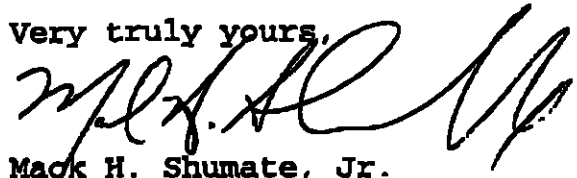
UP remains hopeful that the negotiations will prove successful,

in which case UP would not oppose ILDOT's application.

Counsel to ILDOT has authorized UP to state that ILDOT has no objection to the requested extension.

An additional ten (10) copies of this letter are attached for the Board's files.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

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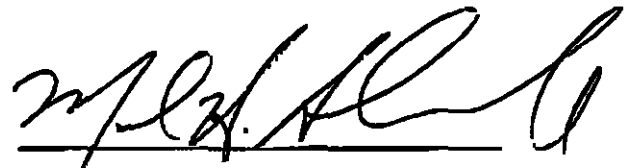
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I certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing document upon the following by fax and by first class United States Mail:

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Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 11th day of May, 2007.


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